letter or utterance stating his position, it is impertinent. No one on *Every Evening's* staff, not even its correspondent who wrote the "Middletown" letter has a right to ask Mr. Emerson how or where he stands. Mr. Emerson is well known in St. Georges hundred, and any voter in this hundred who honestly does not know his position on the question, and who honestly wants to know it, can find out. Mr. Emerson is no recluse; he is about the town and district seven days in the week, and can be seen. He has never yetrefused to answer any pertinent question asked him. Of course, he would probabv, and rightly, refuse to answer a question that he should consider as coming from an impertinent source. We are not stating Mr. Emerson's position as a result of any authority given by him, but are merely saying what we believe to be his position from twenty year acquaintance and friendly intercourse with the man.

It is too much to hope that *Every Evening* will give this article as much publicity as it has ... its baseless charges.

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"Some legislation may be needed to bring about a change in their destination, which Congress should provide. The immigrants as a rule on their arrival know little about the United States, and they seek work where they land or join some colony of their countrymen in that or some other city. Commissioner Sargent proposes to have officers inform the immigrants and to help them along. The trouble with many of them is that they have no money to go farther than the city of their arrival.

"It is encouraging to know that an increasing number of arrivals are rejected. That shows better regulation ... better inspection and will have its influence in reducing the number of the undesirable persons who now seek admission. In the last fiscal year 812,870 arrived, as compared with 857,046 in the preceding year. They brought with them an average of about $25 each, as compared with $19 in the previous year, though their reports as to means are not altogether trustworthy. The fact that the male immigrants decreased 64,000, while the females increased nearly 20,000 is not a good sign. There is a demand for women to do housework, but no relief is reported in any city in that respect."—*Phila. Press.*

WARWICK

C. R. Manlove was a visitor in town Wednesday.

The heavy snow storm caused a harvest for the blacksmith.

Preaching at the M. P. Church to-morrow evening at 7.15 o'clock.

Mass at St. Francis Xavier R. C. Church to-morrow at the usual hour.

Mrs. Mary A. Lofland spent from Thursday until Saturday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. E. O. Spear and daughter, Miss Mamie, spent Wednesday with her daughter here.

Messrs. Elwood Everett and John H. M. Garner visited Mr. A. Wilson Cochran on Sunday last.

Mrs. Elwood Williams has returned home after a short stay with M. H. Donovan near Middletown.

Mr. Harry C. Kirby returned to Bristol, Pa., last Saturday after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Hall near town.

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society will hold their entertainment at the Church Wednesday evening, December 28th.

Misses Florence DeHarte, Mary O. K. Rake and Minnie E. Briner, of Reading, Pa., will spend the Christmas Holidays at the home of Mrs. R. B. Merrit.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A., will elect their officers for the following year at their next meeting. They were nominated last Wednesday evening.

While Misses Mamie Merritt and Eula Vinyard were out sleighing last Sunday their horse began to run, frightening the little girls very much. Fortunately no accident happened.

It seems funny, but it is Warwick after all when it comes to speed. The young pacer owned by Mr. Urie P. Ginn carried first place every time he stepped him over the snow at Middletown this week.

Resinol Art Calendar

The new Resinol Art Calendar for 1905 is one of the ... beautiful calendars ever issued. ... s of heavy enameled pape... one side six beautiful ... babies and children, ... e side are drawings ... with spaces for the ... sayings and doings." ... that will delight a ... nt postpaid by the ... CAL COMPANY of ... two wrappers from ... wrapper and 15 ... alendar and ...

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Mr. Frank Ellison spent Thursday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Waitman Smithers visited Philadelphia last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Clayton visited Philadelphia last week.

Mr. H. V. Manlove spent Monday and Tuesday last in Wilmington.

Rev. L. E. Poole, of Pocomoke City, was in town several days last week.

Mrs. James S. Hopper and daughter Alice visited Philadelphia last week.

George Moore, son of Mr. Jackson Moore, has moved his family to Warwick.

Mr. Stanford Dewberry, of Kent County, has been visiting Mr. James Cummings.

Mrs. Theodore Lloyd and child and Miss Ella Batterby are visiting in Baltimore.

Mrs. George Larrabee, of near Boston, Mass., is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Banks.

Mr. Thomas Harlan has sold a two-year-old colt to Dr. Ashbrook, of Wilmington, for $250.

Albert Boulden has been spending sometime with his uncle, Henry Boulden, near Cecilton.

The Daughters of the Confederacy met at the home of Mrs. Annie T. Egee on last Tuesday evening.

Miss Alice Dewberry spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. George Davis, near Elkton.

The International Sunshine Society met at the home of Mrs. H. Bouchelle on last Thursday evening.

The ladies of the Bohemia Manor M. E. Church held a poultry supper on Thurs day and Friday evenings, December 15th and 16th.

James Seeney, the colored man, who stold Mr. Griffith Ellison's horse blanket received ten lashes for the offense at the New Castle workhouse.

The young people have been enjoying the coasting for the past week. The hill at the foot of Bohemia avenue is lined with them and the board walk is also lined with spectators.

Mrs. Ella Sartin, mother of Jones Johnson, of this place, died at the home of her husband near Summit Bridge one day last week. She leaves several children, among them being William Johnson, of the U. S. Navy.

The large bay barge, Gladiolus, bound from Philadelphia to Norfolk, Va., in tow of the tug W. W. Curtin, was cut through by the ice last Tueday at the mouth of the Bohemia river and sunk. The crew barely escaped with their lives. She was owned by Philadelphia parties.

The Euchre Club was entertained by Mrs. H. V. Manlove and Miss Alice Boulden on Thursday evening at the home of the former. The ladies prizes were won by Mrs. Bennett Steele and Miss M. Lionne Beaston. The gentleman's prizes by Messrs. J. Groome Steele and Hary Howard.

ST. GEORGES

Harry Straub has returned from a visit to Wilmington.

Mrs. J. C. McCoy was a Philadelphia visitor last week.

Miss Harriet Carrow entertained Miss Mattie Murry on Sunday.

Mrs. Miles Clark returned on Tuesday from a visit to Philadelphia.

Miss Amanda Moore visited Miss Harriett Carrow several days last week.

James Paynter and daughter visited relatives in Delaware City on Monday.

J. C. Stuckert and wife are entertaining Albert O. Newton, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. George Swain is spending several days with her son Harry, near Newport.

H. C. Gray, wife and daughter spent Sunday with his cousin, George Deputy, near New Castle.

Samuel Haman and wife, of Dutch Neck, were on Sunday guests of H. C. Buckson and wife.

Theodore Jones and wife have been entertaining their cousin, Mrs. Golt, of Dover, during the past week.

The "Doll Sale," which was advertised for this week, has been postponed. Further announcement next week.

A heavy snow storm visited our section of country on Saturday, and we are having the finest sleighing for years.

Miss Katherine Swain and friend, Miss Carty, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Haman, near New Castle.

Miss Edna Lilly on Friday evening entertained Miss Sara Milligan and Messrs. Charles Cann and Leslie Ford, of Kirkwood.

The Singing Class, in charge of Prof. Jacob T. Clymer, promises to be a great success. Both young and old are invited to attend and learn Christmas music and spend a pleasant time and have a cup of coffee. Class meets on Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock in the Presbyterian Sunday School room.

Blackbrd Citizen Has Severe Fall

BLACKBIRD, Dec. 12th.—Mr. Henry Schafer, who has been visiting in Wilmington for several weeks met with a very serious accident on Monday evening of last week. He was leaving his son's house intending to take the train for Blackbird, accompanied by his daughter, Eva. The front steps were covered with ice and Mr. Schafer lost his footing and fell to the pavement, cracking the shoulder joint. The doctor was called and at present Mr. Schafer is improving. The mend will be rather tedious because of Mr. Schafer's age.—*Smyrna Times.*

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS OF St. Georges Hundred!

All Taxes for 1903 must be paid by the close of this month. After January 1st next all such bills remaining unpaid will be placed in the hands of an Attorney for collection by process of law. It is to be hoped that all delinquents will make an effort to avoid this unnecessary trouble and expense by paying up 1903 taxes this month. Delinquents on taxes may rest assured this order will be enforced and each claim pushed to collection as it is reached on the list.

AT THE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, SOUTH BROAD STREET, EVERY SATURDAY AFTERNOON DURING THE MONTH OF

DECEMBER

5 per cent. will be added on all Taxes not paid by December 31st.

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Everything needed for
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CHRISTMAS WILL SOON BE HERE...

WE TAKE PLEASURE in letting you know we have a large and fine selection of Toys for the little ones. You have bought from us, but your friends have not. We would be pleased to have you and them call and see our goods before buying elsewhere. We have a very pretty line of

TREE TRIMMINGS,	STEAMBOATS,
TROLLEY CARS,	GO-CARTS,
EXPRESS WAGONS,	PING-PONG,
MECHANICAL TOYS,	GAMES of every kind,
TOYS,	ENGINES,
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You will not find a more complete line of Toys in Middletown than we have.

CANDIES, ORANGES, ICE CREAM AND OYSTERS

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☞OPPOSITE PEOPLE'S NATIONAL BANK

I HAVE THE LARGEST, FRESHEST and CHEAPEST LINE OF Confections

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IN LARGE QUANTITIES

Large Assortment of Fine Chocolates at 25 Cents. These Candies cannot be bought in this town at this low figure.

Mixtures from 10c to 40c per lb.

TOYS, NUTS AND FIGS

Fruit Cake,
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FRESH BREAD, PIES, CAKES, DOUGHNUTS DAILY

PAUL WEBER'S BAKERY

MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

BURSTAN'S

This store is ready with the greatest stock of Holiday and staple merchandise in its History. We offer these up-to-date goods at prices lower than like qualities can be purchased from any store in this vicinity.

NOBBY HOLIDAY SUITS for the Men as well as for Young Men. Our suits are bound to please and the prices will clinch the bargain.

SHOES that fit the feet like a glove. We guarantee the wear, the style you like, the best is here for your inspection and approval.

LADIES' STYLISH COATS that were made for wear and warmth. In the latest shades of tan, navy blue and ermine effects. If we please you in a coat our prices are bound to please.

LADIES' SKIRTS that please the eye and fit the wearer. We have in display here all the latest novelty effects in Skirts. Let us fit you and the prices will fit your purse.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS in abundance prices varrying to suit the quality. Children's Holiday attire and necessities for the home are here at prices that will suit. Give us a call and we will try to please you.

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MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE

Ready for the

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WITH EVERYTHING FOR THE

CHRISTMAS DINNER

HOME DRESSED POULTRY AT RIGHT PRICES

OUR OWN MAKE MINCE MEAT BEST IN TOWN

HEINZ'S SALAD DRESSING

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CANDIES---A large assortment of hand-made Toys for the little folks.

APPLES, ORANGES
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NUTS, RAISINS, Etc.

EVERYTHING FRESH AND AT THE LOW PRICES

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The Rewa... For Careful Merchandizin... Were Never So Great As They Are Today

Men are tiring of cheap stuffs and poorly tailored goods. The demand for the better grades of clothing has already set in. Men are realizing that it's true economy to buy only the best.

Oak Hall maintains a great organization for the manufacture of men's and boys' clothing. Every garment is strictly all wool, well tailored and right in fit—this is easily said and just as easily proved.

When you buy from Oak Hall at straight prices, you're more money in pocket than when you buy at the store with the chronic marked down sale.

Men's all wool black cheviot and worsted sack suits, **$10 to $25.**

Men's double-breasted Prince Albert suits, in unfinished worsteds—**$25** for suits lined throughout with silk—**$22.50** for suits with silk facing.

Men's all wool overcoats, **$8.50 to $45.**

Men's double-breasted storm coats, **$10** to **$20.**

Men's reefing jackets, **$6 to $12.**

Men's full dress suits of fine dress worsted, silk lined throughout, **$27.50.**

Men's tuxedo coats, **$12** and **$15**—the latter silk lined throughout.

Bath robes and house coats (smoking jackets) great for Christmas gifts, $4 to $12.

Umbrellas, neckwear, shirts, socks and shoes make suitable Christmas gifts.

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If you purchase a certain amount here and show your return ticket, we pay your carfare both ways.

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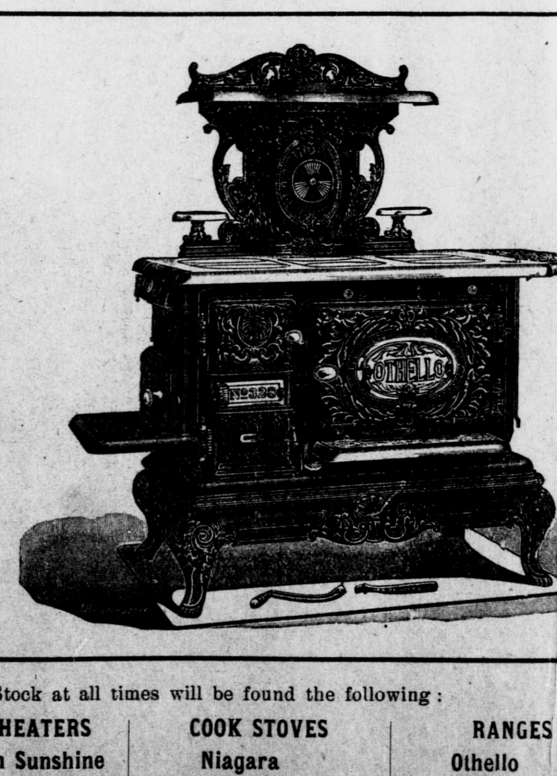

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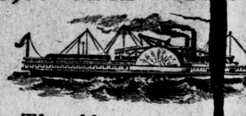

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Captain HOWARD V. WOODALL, WILL LEAVE

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Monday	12	12 30 p m	Tu sd'y	13	11 00 a m
Thur'd'y	15	2.00 p m	Friday	16	12 30 p m
Monday	19	5 30 p m	Tuesd'y	20	3.00 p m
Thur d y	22	7.30 p m	Friday	23	5.00 p m
Tuesday	27	11 30 a m	Wed'd'y	28	11.00 a m
Thur'd'y	29	1 00 p m	Friday	30	11.30 a m

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Comfortable accommodations for Passengers. Ladies' and Gentlemen's Saloon and Private State-rooms.

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For information in regard to Freights apply to

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The man who has only a dozen books needs a bookcase, but he doesn't need one that will take up the whole side of his room. The "Y and E" Sectional Bookcase may be adapted to any space and is easy to move—simply detache the sections—a boy can put them up. I am sole agent for this section.

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The Middletown Transcript

Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:

North Bound—3.29, 7.48, 9.22 and 10.24 a. m.; 1.55, 4.17 and 5.58 p. m.
South Bound—12.36, 8.21, 9.19 and 11.38 a. m.; 4 43, 5.41 and 7.43 p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.20 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 3.50 p.m., 5.45 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—75.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a. m. and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., DEC. 17, 1904.

Local News.

Holly is said to be unusually scarce.

Full line of Fresh Groceries at E. F. INGRAM'S.

Montgomery Taffies are sold everywhere at 10 cents per pound.

Corby's Washington Bread received fresh daily. JONES & BRADLEY.

DR. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

Finest line of box candy in town at MONTGOMERY'S.

FOR SALE.—The property of the late R. W. Cochran on Green street. Apply to J. B. MESSICK.

The only way to know that you're getting Good Bread every time is to buy it from us. It's a guarantee of satisfaction. JONES & BRADLEY.

A full line of 12 ga. smokeless shot gun shells at S. E. MASSEY'S.

Try our Famous Stews. JONES & BRADLEY'S.

Have you tried it? The best Buckwheat Flour in town at EVAN'S EXCHANGE STORE.

Old Kris has moved with JONES & BRADLEY to Middle Room in Opera House.

Dolls' Tables, Chairs, Rockers, Brooms, Games, etc., everything for the girls at JONES & BRADLEY'S.

After October 1st the library will be open on Tuesdays from 3.30 to 5 o'clock, P. M., and on Saturdays from 3 to 5 o'clock and 7 to 8.30 o'clock, P. M.

OYSTERS by the Quart at JONES & BRADLEY'S

WANTED.—To rent a Farm of about 150 acres on shares. Can give the best of reference. Apply to THIS OFFICE.

You should try our 20 cents mixtures. They are fine. MONTGOMERY'S.

HORSE SHOEING.—Plain, 75 cents cash. Satisfaction guaranteed. J. C. GREEN.

Santa Claus's opening day at JONES & BRADLEY'S, Middle Room in Opera House, Saturday, December 10th.

Shoo-flys, Rattles, tree trimmings, everything for baby at JONES & BRADLEY'S, Middle Room in Opera House.

NEW BARBER SHOP.—I wish to announce to my friends and the public, that I have opened up a first-class barber shop in the room on North Broad street formally occupied by the Y. W. C. T. U., and will appreciate a share of the public patronage. WILLIAM MCCLARY.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred cockerels, Black Minorca, White Leghorn, Silver Spangled Hamburg, White Wyandottes, Barred Plymouth Rocks. Price $1.00 to $5.00 each. E. J. STEEL, Henderson, Md.

We have landlord's notices to tenants, ready printed in legal form at this office. They only cost a trifle, and are much more convenient and accurate than the old way.

Full line of all kinds of Nuts at bottom prices at MONTGOMERY'S.

Drums, Wagons, Sleds, Coaches, Gocarts, Bedsteads, Guns, Games, etc., everything for the Boys at JONES & BRADLEY'S.

Fine lot of tree trimmings at JONES & BRADLEY'S, Middle Room in Opera House.

Our advertising columns furnish an excellent holiday shopper's guide.

Don't miss that 20 cent mixture at MONTGOMERY'S.

Spend your money in your home town and you stand a chance of getting it back.

As Christmas falls this year on Sunday, Monday will be observed by most people as a holiday.

You can save money by purchasing your fruits at MONTGOMERY'S.

At the fancy prices they are commanding eggs will be handled economically in the holiday cooking.

Building operations have been progressed so rapidly at Millington, which was nearly destroyed by fire last spring, that there is little trace of the conflagration.

The weather man tells us that we only received the tail end of that snow storm last Saturday. Old Boreas deserves our thanks for simply switching its tail o'er us. A full header would have jarred us.

There's an old saying that if fruit trees are bent under the weight of sleet before Christmas, the same trees will bend under the weight of fruit the following season. If this be true, fruit growers in this section have a right to be hopeful.

The Junior Auxiliary of St. Anne Church held its annual bazaar on Saturday afternoon. Owing to the storm the attendance was not large, but the fancy articles brought good prices, and about thirty dollors was realized.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending December 8th. Miss Liddie Harris, Rebecca F. Thomas, Mary Lozines, Mrs. Sallie Wilson, Johnny Brisco, Henry Hollingsworth and Marty Tiller.

The P. O. S. of A. will give an entertainment in its lodge room, over the store of J. B. Messick, on Tuesday evening, December 20th. An interesting program is being arranged, which consists of a drama, recitations and music. Admission, 10 cents.

Every day this world has a larger call for men who can do its work with skill and competence in diverse lines. Every day is a more uncertain world for boys who grow up shiftlessly, "taking chances" on what they shall do. There is safety and refuge in a good trade well learned. The boy is a gainer who learns a trade. Even if he becomes a lawyer, merchant or doctor, he will not be a worse one because he has in him for any emergency, the cleverness, the strength and resource of the trained mechanic.

While you are pondering over what to give for Christmas presents, remember that one of the most inexpensive and yet one of the nicest presents you can give father, mother, sister or brother, is a year's subscription to THE TRANSCRIPT. Only one dollar a year, payable in advance and addressed to any postoffice in the United States without extra charge. All new yearly subecriptions will be credited to the first of January, 1906.

A severe snow storm visited this section Saturday and during the entire day it snowed incessantly and for a time business was at a standstill. The storm cleared away during Saturday night, leaving a depth of seven or eight inches of snow, and Sunday morning the thermometer took a decided drop, registering about eight degrees above zero. Sleighing has been the one great attraction of the week and most everybody who owned a sleigh, or could buy or borrow one has been out enjoying the sport. As usual racing is indulged in by those who have the "speed" and by others who "imagine that they are "flying" through the air. On the boulevard were "Garrett," a very fast pacer owned by Mr. J. B. Messick, and J. C. Alston showed a great burst of speed with his pacing colt, by "Alrantara," while John D. Boulden with "Grover C." is always in the front. Mr. C. M. Cochran who has the reputation of having "good ones," has several very promising colts, one a three-year-old is a great favorite with the "judges" (?) who watch them pass by. But if we are to judge from what the great majority of our horsemen say, Mr. William D. Bradford has the flyer of the bunch. These horses compose some of the best pacers and trotters of this section and the sport is greatly enjoyed by many lovers of fast horses.

OUR MERCHANTS

"Don't leave your Christmas shopping until the last week before Christmas day, or until the last minute." This is the cry of Middletown's retail merchant and the appeal of retail stores everywhere. The entire stock is now on the counters and shelves and ready for buyers. Then make your selection and, if desired, have the articles put aside until a day or so before they are wanted. All the merchants will be glad to accomodate in this respect and such a plan will aid everybody—the buyer and the seller and the employees who have the work of delivering. Keep this in mind and make this resolution without waiting for January 1st.

The merchants of Middletown in the stock of staple goods they are offering, and in their selections especially for Christmas trade are more than maintaining their reputation of previous years. The beautiful articles that are being displayed are bewildering in their variety and delight the eye of the beholder. Any and everything that could possibly be thought of for a Christmas gift may be had in the Middletown stores, from a diamond to a five-cent pound of candy. All the purchaser has to do is to make out a list of the things they want to buy and then come to town and get them. The prices are guaranteed to be right and the excellence of the goods equally so.

CHURCH NOTES

Rev. C. T. Wyatt, pastor, will preach in Bethesda M. E. Church to-morrow, both morning and evening. Morning theme: "I beseech thee shew me thy glory." Evening theme: "A woman's persistency."

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "The New Testament Standard of Experience and Life—Pledge Meeting." Matt. 6.10; John 15:10-16. Leader, George F. Wilson.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Whatever He would like to have me do." Matt. 6:10; John 16:10-16. Leader, Mrs. O. M. Matthews.

The ladies of Bethesda M. E. Church held an afternoon prayer meeting on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. McCleary, on Lake street. Mrs. McCleary has been confined to her home for the past two or three years.

LECTURE

The lecture given by Mrs. Cora Seabury of New York City, who is a national organizer of the W. C. T. U., at Bethesda M. E. Church last Wednesday night was both instructive and entertaining. She opened her address by reciting an original poem, "That boy of mine." She warned the people against patent medicine, and proved that alcohol enters largely with their composition.

She referred to the things in the way of temperance progress and named among them prejudice and indifference. She recited a poem entitled "Sail on" based upon the discouragements which confronted Columbus. In the face of sickness and hunger and mutiny he sailed on till a new world was discovered. She urged the workers to sail on until the rum demon shall be overthrown.

She is a brilliant speaker and those who were present enjoyed a rare treat. By request she recited "Creed of the bell" which elicited most favorable coment. We hope she will come again.

MASS MEETING

A mass meeting to promote the work aggressive evangelesim will be held at Bethesda M. E. Church next Thrusday evening, Dec. 22d, at 7.30 o'clock Rev. C. T. Wyatt and J. M. Arters are on the Committee to arrange the program. Prominent speakers will be present to discuss phases of revival work. The Presiding Elder of the District, Rev. W. G. Koons has grouped the appointments, that they may co-operate with each other. Middletown, Odessa and Townsend are in one group. We shall expect a large contingent from Odessa and Townsend. Let us mak it a great occasion "In union there is strength."

CARLOAD OF SLEIGHS

On Wednesday, December 21st, we will have a carload of Sleighs, both round and square backs. All orders taken before that date will be reserved.

J. F. MCWHORTER & SON.

DECEMBER BRIDES

One of Middletown's Fair Daughters Led to the Alter—Other Weddings of the Week

LEWIS—WILLIAMS

Forest Presbyterian Church was the scene of a beautiful and happy event on Thursday evening; the celebration of the marriage of Miss Mary Clayton Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel J. Williams, and granddaughter of the late Col. Joshua Clayton, to Dr. Dorsey W. Lewis. A more beautiful wedding was never witnessed here, and of all the fair brides who have plighted their troth at this altar, none were fairer or lovelier than the bride of Thursday evening.

The church was beautifully trimmed with masses of evergreen, holly, mistletoe and potted plants, and the ceremony was witnessed by a large number of friends from this and adjoining states, the church being crowded with interested participants in the happy event.

The bridal party, which entered the church shortly after the appointed hour, 7.30 o'clock, was immediately preceeded by the ushers. They were: Dr. T. H. Emery, of Taylor, Md.; Mr. Cummins Speakman and Dr. Robert Comegys, of Smyrna; Mr. Roy D. White, of Paksley, Va., and Messrs. A. M. Chamberlaine and William H. Brady of this town. They were followed by the bridesmaids, Misses Ethel Thomas and Adele Floy Lewis, sisters of the groom, of Baltimore, and Misses Louise Cochran and Justine Peverley, of this town, exquisitely dressed in white silk mull and carrying pink roses. Then the maid of honor, Miss Lydia Watson, of Dover, dressed in blue Paris muslin, passed up the centre aisle, followed by the bride leaning on the arm of her father, who led her to the altar, where they were met by the groom and his best man, Mr. H. Rodney Sharp, of Wilmington. The Rev. F. H. Moore, pastor of Forest Church, performed the ceremony, and the Rev. E. D. Stone, of Georgetown, played the wedding march, and the soft strains of Lohengrin's were followed by the exultant notes of a jubilate as the bridal party passed out of the Church, and the organ, under the touch of a master hand, was in tune with the happy event.

Immediately after the marriage there was a reception at the residence of the bride's parents. Their large home was illuminated throughout and presented a scene of dazzling beauty. The decorations were very unique, and contrasted nicely with the toiletts of the ladies in varied evening colors, and the sombre hue of the gentlemen's costumes. After the bride and groom had received the congratulations of their friends, refreshments were served by Caterer Hanna, of Wilmington.

The bride's costume was an exquisite creation of embroidered chiffon over white Taffeta silk, a beautiful gown, especially becoming to the bride, whose charms of person and manner have made her one of the most popular young ladies in her circle.

The bridal presents were the most numerous and costly ever displayed in this place, and were the admiration of all who saw them.

At a late hour Dr. and Mrs. Lewis were driven to Elkton, Md., where they took a southbound train for a bridal tour. The young couple begin life together with the good wishes of many friends for a long and happy wedded life.

WILSON—DAVIDSON

"Mr. Benjamin P. Wilson and Miss Marie Davidson were quietly married at their future home, on East High street, on Monday evening, at 8.30 o'clock, by Rev. Dr. T. E. Martindale, in the presence of a few of their friends. Later in the evening they were tendered a lively serenade by a number of young friends of the groom."—*Elkton Appeal.*

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilson, of this town, and his numerous friends here will join THE TRANSCRIPT in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Wilson many happy years of wedded life.

KIGER—DAVIS

Mr. Luther J. Kiger, our enterprising real estate agent, was married on the 7th inst., to Miss Ida F. Davis, of Salem, N. J., by the Rev. Alex. MacGeorge, pastor of Delaware Avenue Baptist Church, Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Kiger immediately after the ceremony left for a trip to Washington and points south.

PERSONALITIES

Misses Elsie and Clara Wise, of West Chester, Pa., spent a few days this week with Miss Lottie Jolls.

Miss Lillian D. Cullen, of Philadelphia, was the the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. P. Cullen, over Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Hopkins returned home Saturday after a two week's visit in Philadelphia.

Mr. Fred Crouch has returned home after spending several months at the St. Louis Exposition.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Parker attended the Wright-Bryan wedding at Brenford on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolane Adkins and little daughter and Mrs. Virginia Price, of Washington, D. C., were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Adkins, over Sunday.

Mrs. Charles N. Dickerson, of Wilmingson, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Webb.

Miss Katherine Pennington, of Wilmington, attended the Lewis-Williams nuptials on Thursday evening. She is visiting her cousin, Miss Grace Parvis.

Mrs. Hugh C. Browne, of Wilmington, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. H. V. Parvis.

Mrs. George W. Banks, of Wildwood, N. J., and Mrs. Charles Porter, of Greenwood, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hopkins several days this week.

Miss Elizabeth Holten was a Wilmington visitor on Tuesday.

Dredge Brings Up Body

A dredge at work at the junction of the Brandywine and Christiana in Wilmington, on Thursday, brought up the body of Elwood Jones, who was knocked off the P., B. & W. R. R. bridge during the ice breakup last winter, and drowned. The body was buried in the mud for ten months.

Bought Noted Stallion

Charles W. Baker, of Aberdeen, Md., and Dr. J. C. McCoy, of Kirkwood, have purchased the noted stallion "Admiral Dewey" for $6,000. He has a 3-year-old race record of 2.14¼, was sired by "Binges," 2.06¼. His dam is "Nancy Hank," record 2.04.

ODESSA

Mrs. Spruance, of Smyrna, is the guest of Mrs. J. C. Corbit.

Miss Lida Fox was a Philadelphia visitor a few days last week.

Mr. Harry Rose spent last Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mary Rose.

Miss May C. Enos entertained the Thursday Evening Club this week.

Rev. J. M. Arters visited Ridgley, Md., Wednesday and Thuasday of this week.

Mrs. George L. Townsend is entertaining Miss Catherine Bickett, of Philadelphia.

Mr. Howard Vinyard left last Saturday for New York where he has accepted a position.

Mr. William Townsend, of Delaware City, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Townsend.

Miss Elsie Ricards has returned to her home in Still Pond, Md., after spending a few days with Miss Lydia Lloyd.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society held its regular Montnly meeting at the home of Mrs. G. L. Townsend Wednesday evening.

Pupils of the public school deserving special mention and commendation for the month of November are as follows: Room No. 1.—Helen Townsend, Emma Carpenter, Lola Pleasanton, Minnie Armstrong. Madeline Penington, Mary Asprll, Martha Cochran, Lola Harris, Alice McCoy, Gertrude Walloce, Zaydoc Pool and Frank Keen. Room No. 2.—Emma Pennington, Mary Carpenter, Mailly Davis, Ashton Cleaver, Alice Croft, Ralph Shallcross, Wilbert Ward, Ethelda Webb, Mabel Wallace, Rose Evans, Burton Hall, and Arthur Philips. Room No. 3.—Marion Vinyard, Emma Wallace, Milton Phillips, Leon Buckson, Norman Ward, Leonard Wallace, Carrine Kielkopf, Blanch Wiest, Pearl Harris, Loeta Buckson and Carrie Muhlberger.

TOWNSEND

James Money, of near Mt. Pleasant, spent Tuesday in town.

Harry Buckson, of St. Georges, was a visitor in town Tuesday.

Miss Lena Staats, of Middletown, spent Sunday at her home in town.

Miss Mary Todd has returned home after visiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Reuben Warren, of Clayton, was the guest of Mrs. W. A. Scott Tuesday.

Miss Mattie Goldsborough, of near Golts, spent several days in town this week.

Miss Mary Money returned home Wednesday after spending sometime in Wilmington.

Rev. J. W. Jones and wife spent several days with relatives in Wilmington this week.

Archie Finley, of Philadelphia, was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Anna Finley, over Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Lorrimore, of Annapolis, Md., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Watts.

The entertainment given by the Junior League Friday evening, December 9th, netted about $10.

Rev. Alfred Scott while in town on Sunday last baptised Anna Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Maloney.

Rev. Alfred Scott, of Wilmington, preached both Sunday morning and evening, on account of the illness of the pastor.

The local Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, held a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Staats, Tuesday evening, December 13th.

Leora Kathleen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Heston Atwell, was christened by Rev. J. H. Beauchamp, of Hangrriton, on Wednesday evening. A number of friends were invited to witness the ceremony.

SASSAFRAS

Mrs. W. H. Spry visited Chestertown on Tuesday.

New song books have been purchased for our churches.

Mr. Harry Crockett has been seriously ill for the past week.

Mr. James D. Davis, Jr., and friend, of Wilmington, are visiting his parents.

Our churches here have now under consideration the Christmas entertainments.

Mr. Frederick Gressart was entertained on Monday by Mr. E. Thomas Massey, of Massey.

The sale of Mr. James D. Davis was largely attended and excellent prices were realized.

Mr. Fred Boyles, of Middletown, was entertained on Tuesday evening by Mr. Jacob T. Shallcross and family.

Mr. John Edwards and daughter Bertie, of near Chesterville, were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sylvester.

CECILTON

John Anderson visited Philadelphia last week.

James Pierce is attending court in Elkton this week.

Miss Dessie Boulden is spending sometime in Philadelphia and New Yord.

Miss Edith Alderson spent from Friday to Monday with Miss Elizabeth Anderson.

Charles Manlove, of Atlantic City, has returned from visiting relatives near and in town.

Fred Hoover has returned from spending the past week in Rising Sun and Wilmington.

Miss Mary Anderson, of Still Pond, spent a few days of the past week at her home in town.

John Morris and wife have returned from visiting their daughter, Mrs. Thomas Van Buskirk, of Baltimore.

James Budd, of Philadelphia, and Miss Cora D. Anderson were quietly married at the home of her parents, Robert Anderson and wife on Wednesday, December 7th.

SUIT FOR REPAIRS

In the Superior Court on Tuesday, the case of John P. McIntyre and Walter S. Letherbury of Middletown, trading as John P. McIntyre, vs. Charles DeValinger, owner of the National hotel, in which Mr. McIntyre claimed $125 for repairs made to the hotel under an agreement with Mr. DeValinger; also a claim for $105.24 with interest, for a board bill contraced in 1902 by Mr. DeValinger. The attorneys were J F. Biggs and John H, Rodney for the plantiff G. L. Townsend and C. F. Curley the defence.

The court ruled out an item of $125 alleged to be due on a contract for alleged breach of contract. This reduced the amount to $145. Of this amount $40 is said to be for repairs to Mr. DeValinger's property and a part of which is said to have been contracted without defendant's consent and also was barred out by the statute of limitation.

The defence contended that the plaintiff was indebted to him to the amount of $133 and that he owed the plaintiff $129 leaving balance due defendant of $3.28.

After deliberating for about 15 minutes the jury found a verdict for the plaintiff for $125.71.

MARRIED

LEWIS—WILLIAMS.—On Thursday evening, December 15th, 1904, in the Forest Presbyterian Church, Middletown, Del., by the Rev. F. H. Moore, D. D., Miss Mary Clayton Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel J. Williams, to Dorsey Waitman Lewis, M. D., of Middletown, Del.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.

Wheat—No. 1	$1.08	Corn—	
No. 2	1.05	Yellow, shelled	46
Timothy Seed	$2.65	" cob	46
Clover Seed lb	10½c	Oats	54

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	32@34
Country Butter, per lb	25@30
Creamery Butter, per lb	36
Lard, per lb	8@10
Live Chickens, per lb	12@15
Potatoes, per basket	25@35

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NOTICE—ELECTION!

NEW CASTLE COUNTY NATIONAL BANK OF ODESSA,
December 10th, 1904.

THE STOCKHOLDER annual meeting for the election of Nine Directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking house on Wednesday January 4th, 1905 between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M., and 1 P. M.

JOS. L. GIBSON, Cashier.

NOTICE—ELECTION!

CITIZEN'S NATIONAL BANK OF MIDDLETOWN,
Middletown, Del., Dec. 8th, 1904.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stock-holders for the election of Nine Directors to serve this Bank for the ensuing year will be held in the Banking House on Tuesday, January 10th, 1905, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 12 o'clock, noon.

JOHN S. CROUCH, Cashier.

NOTICE—ELECTION!

THE PEOPLES' NATIONAL BANK OF MIDDLETOWN,
Middletown, Del., Dec. 8th, 1904.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION for Ten Directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on SATURDAY, January 14th, 1905, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 12 o'clock noon.

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Gloves and Mittens
A big saving purchase of C. M. Allen & Co., of Philadelphia, who closed out their entire stock. This store purchased in large lots at 25 to 50 per cent. on the dollar.

Men's Dress Kid Gloves, lined and unlined, 25c, to $1.00.
Men's and Boys' heavy Kid Mittens, with pulse warmers, heavy lined, 15c and 18c.
Men's extra quality Wool Gloves, 25c.
Men's Fine Driving Gloves, fur top, 50c. to $1.00.
Boys' lined Kid Gloves, 50., 75c., $1.00.
Women's Kid Gloves, best makes, all colors, $1.00.
Women's Soft Gloves, in red, black, brown and gray, 25c.
Women's Wool Mittens, 10c.
Girls' Golf Gloves, 25c.

Slippers and Shoes
For Men, Women and Children. All prices at lowest possible price.

Women's warm lined Slippers, the $1.25 and $1.50 kind, all at $1.00.
Men's Slippers, all styles, 80., $1.00, $1.25.
Boys' Slippers, 75c.
Men's patent leather Shoes, Douglas make, $3.50.
Hall's patent leather Shoes, $5.00.
Women's Shoes, patent leather, all grades, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00, $3.50.
Boys' patent leather Shoes, Douglas make, $3.00. Others at $1.50 and $2.00.

Winter Underwear
For Men, Women and Children. A special stock of the very best makes, marked at popular prices, that has bought the growing business.

Boys, silver gray, heavy, fleece lined Shirts and Drawers. Shirts are nicely finished with pearl buttons, re-inforced seams, to match 25c.
Women's heavy, fleece lined Vests, silk finished; Pants to match, 25c.

Blankets and Comforts
All-wool Blankets, 11-4, or 72x82 inches, fine texture, blue and pink borders, one inch hem, $5.00 a pair. These are beauties.
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Fine Down Comforts, $5.00.
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The largest Toy Department in the State, and prices the lowest.

Doll Coaches, 23c. to $2.00.
Doll Coaches, with spring and bed pillows and spread, all finished, 25c. to $2.00.
Express Wagons, 25c. to $2.50.
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A BOUGHTEN BABY

BY ELIZA EVANS CARTWRIGHT

"CYNTHY—Cynthy!"

It was Miss Susan Briggs who was calling, in a voice shrill by nature and quavering by reason of advancing years. Susan Briggs had been what this irreverent generation terms "a hustler" from her early girlhood, and morning, noon and night that high-pitched, strident voice might be heard by any passer-by, now berating Cynthia—now urging on the slowest and dullest of hired boys in all the region round about.

"Cynthy! Now where can the critter be? I never see her beat for slinkin' off when she was most needed. Here's a big thunder shower coming straight over Shagwam, and all the wash to pick up and the chickens to feed and coop, and there's that pesky Abner Skillett laz'in' along with the cows as if he was hoppled like a jumpin' steer."

Susan shaded her sharp gray eyes from the rays of the setting sun with a freckled knotty, toil-worn hand, and peered anxiously down the valley road, which led to the brook and thence by a winding, devious ascent around the base of Shagwam Hill, with its beetling ledges and scraggy crown of wind-tormented, tousled old pine trees. The sunlight still bathed the gray, low-roofed Briggs house in a flood of golden glory, but upon Shagwam's steeps brooded, ominously silent as yet, the darkness of the coming tempest.

"And Cynthy ain't got any rubbers," thought her sister, anxiously, "and her cap's hangin' on the nail by the but'ry door. It's a wonder she's even got her sun-bonnit. She'll git wet through and git the gallopin' consumption, like her poor ma—— Abner," as that worthy leisurely followed the milkly mothers up the lane to the bar-way—"Abner Skillet, hev you seen any signs of Cynthy?"

Abner picked up a stone, examined it critically, and shied it with a precision gained by long practice at a straying cow. The wanderer, thus warned, skipped nimbly over a low place in the stone wall, and made for Miss Susan's bleach-green, where the snowy garments lay scattered in great profusion. Susan darted after the offender, overtook her, and came back driving her victoriously, just as Abner was alowly lifting the heavy top bar into its place.

"How many times hev I warned you to put up *all* them bars—the hull four on 'em? I asked you if you'd seen Cynthy——"

"See her about three haours ago daown to the bridge," drawled Abner. "She was p'intin' to'rd'st Shagwam then, with the middlet-sized tin kittle. I considered then she was goin' a blackberryin'."

"Blackberryin' alone on Shagwam!" ejaculated Miss Susan in great alarm. "Like as not she's fell down a ledge, or been bit py a rattler, or had her throat cut by some tramp."

"Seen a tramp daown the road a piece," said Abner, in calm confirmation of Susan's worst fears. "'Twas a she-tramp, though. She was tawny as an Injun and she hed a blue handkerchief put on her head in a funny way, and her eyes made ye feel queer; they wasn't like other folks' eyes—ye just *hed* to look inter 'em till she let ye go. Made a feller feel like a bird with a snake a charmin' it."

"Stuff and nonsense! When any human power makes you feel less logy than a canal boat, I'd jist like to know it. Talk about *birds*—when'd you see the tramp? Can't you speak?"

"Oh, mebbe an haour ago, mebbe two or more. I wus a-startin' to go daown to Miller's to borrer a hoe. I broke our'n a'clippin' at a hoppertoad behind a stun. She was settin' on a rock, a'rickin' herself about, and a'weavin' and a'gabblin'. She had sumthin' shiny into her hand."

"Yard them critters," commanded Susan in a tragic voice, "and foller me, quick! It's bore in upon me that Cynthy's layin' murdered behind some wall. Them tramps is all furriners and Papists, and you can't expect nothin' less on 'em."

Without further parleying, Miss Susan threw her apron over her head and started upon her quest after the lost sister. She had, however, gone but a little way when a prolonged whistle, followed by a string of amazed expletives from the lips of her hired boy, caused her to turn back.

The sight which met her eyes was by no means calculated to quiet her perturbed spirit. Truly Cynthia—the missing Cynthia—was slowly coming towards her from the open big barn door. But in her arms—could Miss Susan see aright? —she held a blue bundie, whence proceeded fine, pin-pointed wailings of a nature never to be mistaken by a woman, even though she be a withered spinster upwards of sixty.

"By jingo!" exclaimed Abner, his round eyes like two full moons. "Here's a lark!"

Thus saying, Abner sat down on a convenient hen coop to recover his straying wits, while the forgotton cows placidly munched Miss Susan's clove-pinks and sampled the nasturtiums.

"Cynthia Mary Elderkin Briggs," demanded Miss Susan, after what seemed to the culprit at least an hour—it was really only a minute, but Cynthia feared that voice more than anything else earthly—"*what* hev you got in your arms?"

"A baby," whimpered her sister in scared tones, but hugging the blue bundle closer, with eyes like some desperate dumb animal.

"A *baby!*"

"Oh, Moses!" shreiked Abner, rolling off the hen-coop in a sudden anguish of mirth. "A baby—Miss Cynthy! Oh, it's better'n Fourth o' July 'nd fireworks 'nd the hull band!"

Miss Susan took no note of this unseemly conduct, but fixed her eye firmly upon the offender.

"Where hev you been all this while, and me screechin' till I'm hoarse as a frog in a marsh? *Whose* baby is that?"

"Mine—now," whispered Cynthia, faintly.

"*Your'n!*"

Italics faintly convey the mingled scorn and incredulity wrapped in that one word. Cynthia flinched as it struck her, and even the uproarious Abner grew suddenly quiet.

A long silence, while the first peal of thunder rolled down the steep cliffs of Shagwam Hill, and a few big drops of rain fell like bullets upon the sun-baked ground.

"Now, Cynthy," said Susan, deliberately, "I want you to try and talk less like a crazy loon and tell me where you got that child, and where you was when I was a'callin' you?"

"I bought the baby," cried Cynthia, desperately. "I bought it—paid my own gold brooch for it. I've been out into the barn, up in the mow tryin' to git it asleep. I was afraid 'twould be struck by lightnin' if I left it out there."

"You bought that baby—you give your good gold brooch, with pa's hair into it, for that tramp young 'un?" said Miss Susan with growing warth. "Of all fools! Why, you *must* be out of your mind, Cynthia Mary."

"It's mine anyhow," sobbed Cynthia, dandling the blue bundle awkwardly. "There—there, darling baby. I'll take care of you."

"Git up out o' that grass—a'grinnin' there like a Chessy-cat," cried Miss Susan turning upon Abner with a sudden vicious sweep. "*I'll* give you something to grin at if you don't git them cows out of my flower-beds, and see to the chickens. *They* sha'n't be drowned in their coops along of this piece of work. Cynthy, you march yourself straight into the house with that young 'un, while I gether up the bleach afore the squall strikes. I'll be in quick as I kin, and git to the bottom of this if the lightnin' spares you."

Cynthia was only too glad to obey this command. She hastened meekly away into the far kitchen, followed a little later by Susan, staggering under the weight of a big basket crowded full of snowy garments, sweet and fresh and smelling of daisies and clover blooms. Cynthia had fled for refuge into the big rocking-chair, where she sat swaying to and fro, trying in vain to soothe the protesting baby, whose wails filled the dim wide, low-ceiled room.

"Now," panted Miss Susan, dropping the basket with a loud thump and facing her victim, "you tell me the truth, the hull truth and nothin' but the truth, Cynthy. *Where'd* you git that baby?"

Cynthia began talking very fast, a red spot in each thin cheek, her thin fingers twitching nervously. "I was goin' berryin'—I was t'other side of the brook 'most over to Elderkin's mill. A woman come down the hill; she had hurt her foot and limped. I never saw her before. When she seen me she scowled first, and then she begun to laugh and talk some lingo I couldn't make out. It wasn't Kanuck, though she was complected like 'em, and her eyes was black and so funny you had to keep tryin' to see to the bottom of 'em. She come up to me and put her hand onto my shoulder. I was scared, but I couldn't move to save my life."

"Just what Abner said," thought Susan, uneasily. "Well, what next, Cynthy?"

"She was carryin' the baby as if it was a stick of wood, and when it cried she shook it and scowled at it. I told her she was cruel, and if she did so she would be took up, but she only kep' lookin' at me."

"Come, go on. I want the hull of this."

"Then she see my brooch and begun makin' signs to me to take it off. I had to do it. I could't help it. I gave it to her and she handed me the baby and ran off down the road. I was glad to see her go, but I was afraid you'd be mad about the baby, so I went and hid in the barn."

"She warn't no fool, anyway," ejaculated Miss Susan. "That brooch was real Guinea gold—solid. If it wasn't thundering and raining so I'd have Abner harness up and put chase to her. Let's see the child. I guess it's well, for it makes racket enough for three."

Cynthia unrolled the blue bundle with nervous fingers, and released as fine a little brown baby as one might wish to see.

"He's so pretty," she said appealingly to her older sister. "See how wavy his hair is, and his eyes are black as sloes, and—we've got lots of milk, Susan, and money in the bank. I think you might let me keep him. I'll take all the care of him."

"The young 'un is goin' to the poorhouse to-morrow," said Miss Susan, angrily. "As for you, I think that you ought to be sent to an asylum. Trafficin' in flesh and blood, and you an Abolitionist's granddaughter! Enough to make your ancestors turn over in their graves, not to say a word about barterin' off that brooch that your ma wore the day she was married!"

Cynthia and the unlucky infant wept on after this speech, while Miss Susan folded the clean clothes, and the rain fell in torrents upon the roof. Presently Abner came dripping in, bringing the brimming milk pail, and suggesting thereby a new idea to Miss Susan.

"You'll have to go straight to the village and buy a feeding-bottle for that child," she remarked to the hapless Abner. "We'll be havin' it die on our hands and be tried for murder, as well as breakin' the laws of our country a'buyin' Eyetalian infants."

"It's rainin' and pourin'," complained Abner, dolefully. "Can't ye make out till mornin' some way? I'm afraid I'll git struck by lightnin' in the big woods."

"If there's judgments to fall they won't be on *you*," said Miss Susan, with a meaning glance at the big rocker. "There is twenty-five cents, and now don't let no grass grow under your feet.

"Cynthy, you unwrop them beggar's duds off that child, and put 'em in the stove. I'm a'goin' up-stairs to hunt out some of litlte Nathan'l's things. I expect there's small-pox and typhus and everything else in that blue shawl."

Cynthia felt a momentary gleam of hope. Susan was surely relenting, or she would never have thought of using those sacrad garments, which her dead baby brother had worn forty years ago. She could never send it to the poorhouse with those clothes upon it.

After a while there come a great thumping and bumping down the back stairs, and Miss Susan appeared bearing the old red cradle, which was heaped with pillows, quilts and the whole wardrobe of the defunct Nathaniel.

"I calc'late it'll be made comfortable while it's here," she said, in answer to the question in Cynthia's eye. "The things is some yallow with layin', but there ain't no way to help that. Mis' Allen kin bleach 'em if she feels ambition."

Cynthia's face fell. Mrs. Allen was the wife of the poorhouse keeper. In desponding silence she dressed the baby while her sister prepared the cradle for its reception. After a long time—or it seemed long to the waiting nurses—Abner appeared, panting and muddy.

"Here's the bottle," he announced, "and they're bu'stin' themselves a'laffin' to the store. Squire Petty 'lows he never heern the beat of two old maids buyin' a baby. They wouldn't take no money fer the bottle—said t'was worth a quarter just to hear tell on't."

"Squire Petty's a meddlin' old fool," said Miss Susan, turning crimson. "*Two* old maids! I guess *my* hands is clean of this biz'ness."

"Told 'em as haow you was goin' to tearn it over to the poorhouse, and they said t'warn't no taown poor and you couldn't go leavin' it onto the tax-paying," continued Abner. "I left 'em arguin' it, and come hum."

"I'll see about it," said Miss Susan, resolutely. "I guess them lazy loafers ain't going to lay the law down to me. That baby's goin' to be put on the town as soon as it clears off."

"Wind's hauled," said Abner, cheerfully. "It's settin' in for a storm. You won't git red on it to-morrer, I kin tell ye."

"I guess I kin board it without impoverishin' me," replied Miss Susan, unreasonably. "Here. Cynthy, you jest let me take it. You'll choke it fust thing. You couldn't rightly be expected to understand feedin' bottles."

"*Ain't* it cunning?" whispered Cynthia, wistfully bending over the waif, which now lay blissfully pulling at the rubber cap of the new feeding-bottle. "Oh, I do wish you *would* feel to keep it, Susan."

"It's well-favored enough, except its tawny skin, but it's a child of wrath, fitted fur destruction, like all them furrin' Papists," answered Susan, with the uncompromising orthodoxy of her Puritan ancestors.

"*Some* infant's elected," persisted Cynthia, who was as well versed in the shorter catechism as her sister.

"Not Papishers," said Miss Susan, decidedly. "Do you mean to put that tramp's baby on a level with little Nathan'l, for instance?"

"*You* fetched the cradle down and got Nathan'l's clothes out to put on it," retaliated Cynthia, with a dim feeling that somehow these sacred garments might be spiritually efficacious to her hapless charge.

"I ain't the Almighty, be I?" asked Susan, with the air of one who closes the subject. "Cynthy Mary, you may as well quit hectorin' me. I'm endeavorin' to git grace to overlook your conduct, but I can't stand no more fool talk. Mis' Allen will git that child, sure as the sun rises to-morrer, and no use to waste your breath arguing."

Cynthia gave up her last faint hope. She knew her sister too well to doubt that she would keep her word. Baby was temporarily, if not finally, reprobated.

[CONCLUDED NEXT WEEK]

AGAINST GOOD ROADS

DOVER, DEL., December 10th.—From the address on the "Improvement to the Public Highways," of Chairman C. J. Horrigan at the Agricultural Conference here during the past week, in which it was shown that nearly $60,000 had been spent in building eight miles of road in New Castle County, the farmers and taxpayers in the lower part of the State, are loud in their protests of a furtherance of the Good Roads Commission in Delaware. In Kent County nothing has been done for the improvement of the public highways, and in Sussex County something less than a mile has been built. The question which is agitating the farmers and taxpayers is that of the employing of such a commission at a salary of from $1,000 to $1,200 each per year and nothing done, and no prospects of anything being done for the benefit of the public highways. From the expressions heard at the Agricultural Conference here, the sooner the coming Legislature does away with the present highway commission, the State will be the better off financially.

MYRA KELLY'S OWN EXPERIENCES

Myra Kelly, whose stories which appeared in *McClure's Magazine* during the last year, have been made into a book bearing the title "Little Citizens," drew upon her own actual experiences for the material of her amusing tales. She was for over two years a teacher in a school on East Broadway, right in the heart of the most foreign section of New York. She is an Irsh woman, born in Dublin, of pure Irish stock; and the natural Irish turn of mind towards fun made her express the humorous side of her experience There has been a serious turn to some of the reviews of her book. They have gone so far as to say that "it should be on the desk of every one interested in education to-day." Miss Kelly declares that she aimed to be amusing, rather than instructive, and it both flatters and surprises her to find that her boook has so serious an import.

JOHN BARKLEY DROPPED DEAD

Whilereturning to his office from luncheon on Saturday afternoon John Barkley, chief clerk to Superintendent Holliday, of the Delaware Division of the P., B. & W. Railroad, dropped dead from heart disease, of Clayton. He was about forty years of age and leaves a widow and two children. Mrs. Barkley is the daughter of Isaac N. Mills, former superintendent of the Delaware railroad. He was prominent in the affairs of Clayton, was a trustee of Delaware College and was well known.

The funeral was held in his home in Clayton on Tuesday evening and interment was made in his old home in Baltimore on Wednesday.

FREEZING CREW WERE RESCUED

Schooner Goes Down and the Men Remain in the Rigging

ONE PERISHED WITH COLD

NORFOLK, December 12th.—The three-masted schooner Montana, Captain Booye from New York to Charleston, S. C., with a cargo of salt (or probably coal), stranded at 11 P. M. Saturday night at Pea Island, N. C., lifesaving station, fifty miles north of Cape Hatteras, during a heavy northerly gale. Within twenty minutes after the vessel stranded she was full of water and awash, so that the crew, consisting of Captain Booye and six men, were forced to take to the rigging, where they remained until 2 P. M. yesterday, when six of the seven men were rescued by crews of Pea Island, New Inlet and Bodies Island lifesaving stations.

One man, Henry Edwards, was frozen to death, and was lashed in the rigging in such a manner that he could not be reached. His body is still aboard the ship hanging in the rigging head downward. One other member of the crew was almost frozen to death when he was rescued by the members of the lifesaving crews, but probably will recover, although his condition is very serious. The rescued crew are now at Pea Island life-saving station.

Great difficulty was experienced in landing the crew, owing to the fact that the vessel had sunk and a heavy sea was running. The freezing weather hampered the work of rescue, and the seamen were so overcome by exposure and exhaustion that only two of those in the rigging were able to assist in hauling the whip line aboard the vessel.

Again and again the line was shot out, and one by one the men were taken off the ship in the breeches buoy, after a most harrowing experience of more than thirteen hours spent in the rigging of the sinking vessel in a temperature much below freezing. Their clothing was coated with thick layers of ice. An attempt will be made to bring the body of Henry Edwards, the sailor who was frozen, ashore.

The vessel will be a total loss. It is understood that the Montana is owned in Somes Point, N. J.

THE WEATHER CALENDAR

The Chattanooga Medicine Co., manufacturers of Wine of Cardui and Thedford's Black-Draught have just issued the 1905 edition of their Cardui Weather Chart and Calendar. This Calendar with its 13 sheets 13x20 inches in sizes makes a bright ornament for the wall and is a useful acquisition in any home or office on account of its displayed weather predictions. The prominent numbers can be read across a large room as can the colored signal flags showing the weather conditions for each day. These weather signals illustrate the forecasts of Prof. Andrew J. DeVoe who achieved great prominence by his accurate predictions of the great Galveston, St. Louis and Minnesota storms and cyclones. So great is the popularity of these predictions that they are printed in 2,500,000 of these calendars and 18,000,000 of the Ladies' Birthday Almanacs which are issued by the Chattanooga Medicine Co. each year. We understand that a copy of this weather chart and calendar may be secured by sending 10c. in stamps to the Chattanooga Medicine Company, Chattanooga, Tenn. Any of our readers who have not secured a copy of the Ladies' Birthday Almanac can get one by sending their address to "Ladies' Birthday Almanac," Chattanooga, Tenn., or by calling on their druggist.

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(SEAL) Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

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‖ Daily. § Daily except Sunday.

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"j" Stops to take on passengers for Cape Charles and beyond.

"p" Stops to leave passengers from Middletown and points south.

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Leave Porter for Delaware City 8 59 a m 12 [illegible]7 3 51, 4 38 and 6 24 p m week-days. Returning, leave Delaware City 7 55, 9 2[illegible], and 10 28 a m, and 3 [illegible]5 and 5 56 p m week days.

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